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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any issue relating to climate change and global warming has been discussed during the recent visit of the US President to India;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the agreements (if any) in this regard; and

(c) the follow-up action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) to (c) Yes, during the recent visit of the US President to India, issue relating to climate change and global warming was discussed. A Joint Statement was issued after the bilateral meeting emphasizing that "Both the countries recognize that global climate change is a profound threat to humanity and to the imperatives of sustainable development, growth and the eradication of poverty. Both the countries share a deep concern regarding the climate challenge and understand that meet- ing it will require concerted action by their countries and the international community. In the joint statement, they stressed the import- ance of enhancing their bilateral cooperation on adaptation measures, as well as joint research and development and technology innovation, adoption and diffusion for clean energy and efficiency solutions that will help achieve the goals of transitioning to a climate resilient and low carbon economy. They also stressed the importance of working together and with other countries to conclude an ambitious climate agreement in Paris in 2015. To this end, they plan to cooperate closely over the next year to achieve a successful agreement in Paris".

However, no agreement on climate change has been signed between these two countries.